

Appl. No. 09/929,713
Amtd. dated August 26, 2003
Reply to Office Action of June 18, 2003

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003. Claims 1-4, 6-12, and 14-23 are pending in the present application. Applicants note with appreciation that claims 1-4, 6-12, and 14-23 have been allowed. Consequently, passage to issue is respectfully requested.

Applicants have included a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the deadline for filing a response by one (1) month, from August 18, 2003 to September 18, 2003.

Drawings

The Examiner has stated,

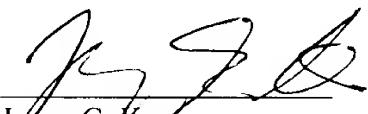
1. **Figure 2 should be designated by a legend such as --Prior Art-- because only that which is old is illustrated. See MPEP § 608.02(g). A proposed drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.**
2. **The drawings are objected to because a) Fig. 2 attempts to illustrate arrows upon a beamblock tray. It is unclear what the arrows represent, as the specification is silent with regard to these features. Additionally, the drawings as submitted (Figs. 2 and 3) are not of sufficient quality to highlight the aforementioned arrows (arrows do not stand out from background). Examiner notes that the illustration of arrows in Fig. 3 attempts to detail insertion directions as recited in p.4 line 12 of the specification. In Fig. 2 the inclusion of arrows suggests that conventional beamblock trays are also capable of dual insertion directions, which appears to contradict the novelty of the present invention. A proposed drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.**

The corrected drawings are provided herewith.

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Accordingly, Applicants' attorney believes that this application is in condition for allowance. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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